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TOPIC Ammunition and Ordnance Depots

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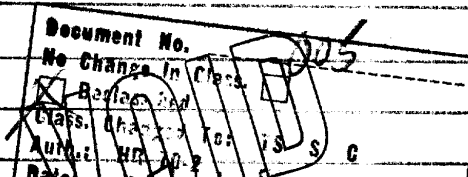
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Ammunition Depots

1. The Main Ammunition Depot (Depozitul central de Munitie) is in Bucharest with the following branch installations:
  - No 20 near Baskov (R 33/34/B 79) railroad station. (1)
  - No 21 near Domnesti (R 33/44/C 53) railroad station
  - No 22 near Comisani (R 33/44/C 39)
  - No 23 near Derceni (R 43/44/C 72)
  - No 24 near Broscarie (2)
  - No 25 near Chiajna (R 43/44/C 64) railroad station
  - No 26 near Pantelimon (R 43/44/C 74)
  - No 27 near Tunari (R 43/44/C 75)
  - No 28 near Magurele (R 43/44/C 63)
  - No 29 near Stefanesti (R 43/44/C 75) (3)
2. Regional Ammunition Depot No 1 (Depozite de munitie regionale) is near Isalnita (R 33/34/A 84). (4) The depot covered about 1,200 x 1,400 meters and was surrounded by barbed-wire fences and ditches. It was said to be the ammunition depot of the Rumanian army corps in Craiova. The depot was only filled to 50 percent of its capacity stocked in mid-April 1950.
3. Regional Ammunition Depot No 2 is near Jigalia in the Ilfov Comitat. (2)
4. Regional Ammunition Depot No 3 near Vintul de Jos (R 26/Q 72) has branch depots No 11 near Gura Sada (R 26/Q 02) and No 13 near Jucul de Jos (R 36/M 02).
5. Regional Ammunition Depot No 4 near Hamul Conachi (R 55/Y 86) has an unidentified branch depot near the Trifesti (R 46/O 31) railroad station.
6. Ammunition Depot No 5 in Brasov has the following branches:
  - No 50 near Apata (R 36/S 31) railroad station
  - No 51 near Vladeni (R 35/Z 19) railroad station
  - No 52 near Gheorgheni (R 36/S 39) railroad station
  - No 53 near Bretcu (R 46/S 92) railroad station
  - No 54 near Miercurea Ciucului (R 46/S 55).

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7. Ammunition Depot No 6 in Ramnic Sarat (R 45/Y 44) has the following branch installations:

No 61 near Barlad (R 56/T 93)  
 No 62 near Cislau (R 45/X 93) railroad station  
 No 63 near Pantanele Mizil (R 45/X 90)  
 No 64 near Sihlea (R 45/Y 55) railroad station  
 No 65 near Cranicul Ursului (2)  
 No 66 near Tandarei (R 53/54/D 96) railroad station  
 No 67 near Margineanca (R 45/X 61) railroad station (Plopeni Fabrica railroad station near the Margineanca ammunition factory).

8. Ammunition Depot No 7 is in Craiova; it has seven branch depots. No 70 is near Curtisoara (R 25/N 52). (5) Depot No 70 was east of the Targu Jiu-Petrosani railroad line, parallel to the Parang railroad station, and consisted of a northern and southern section. The southern section has a railroad connection. Trees grow in the depot area giving it the appearance of a farmyard. Large stocks of artillery ammunition were stored in the depot. Branch depot No 71 is near Budreni (R 25/V 51). No 72 is 5 or 6 km southeast of Francesti (R 35/W 11) on the road from Ungureni (R 33/34/W 20) to Francesti. Three freight cars at this depot, which were loaded with ammunition, were guarded by Rumanian soldiers at Babeni (R 33/34/W 20) railroad station on 23 May 1950. Six trucks of the Army and the Rata (sic) hauled boxes in the direction of Francesti. Local residents said that the depot stored artillery ammunition. Branch depot No 73 is near Stejerel. (2) A "Stejerel" depot, camouflaged by oak trees containing about 10,000 tons of artillery ammunition was observed in mid-April 1950 between Copaciovasa (R 25/V 62) railroad station and Budreni station. Branch depot No 74 is in the woods near the Filiasi (R 23/24/A 66) railroad station. In mid-April 1950 an AF ammunition depot was identified there. It was said to contain about 10,000 tons of ammunition. Branch depot No 75 is in the Gura Motrului (R 24/24/A 56) woods north of the railroad line and west of the Jiul River. This depot contained about 8,000 tons of infantry ammunition and was allegedly filled to capacity in mid-April 1950. No 76 near Strejesti (R 33/34/B 26) railroad station was identified locally on 23 May 1950. It was learned in mid-April 1950 that the depot was in the woods near the Strejesti railroad station, containing all types of ammunition, and was allegedly a Soviet installation. Branch depot No 77 in the Padurea Sarului (R 33/34/B 14) woods, was allegedly vacated in mid-April 1950. It is an ammunition dump for the troops in Craiova.

9. Ammunition Depot No 8 in Sebes Alba (R 26/Q 82) had branch installations:

No 81 in Sebes Alba (6)  
 No 82 near Reghinul Sasesc (Reghin, R 36/M 70?)  
 No 83 near Cismadie (R 35/W 29) (7)  
 No 84 near Radinari (R 35/W 19) (8)  
 No 85 near Petresti (R 26/Q 71) (9)

10. Mixed Ammunition Depot No 9 (Depozitul munitie mixt) is in Avrig (R 35/W 49).
11. Ammunition Depot No 15 in Buzau (R 45/Y 31), is still under construction.

#### Ordnance Depots

12. The main ordnance depot (Depozitul central de armament) is in Targu Viste (R 33/34/C 19) with the Branch Depot No 101 near Colibasi (R 33/34/W 70).

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13. The location of Regional Ordnance Depot (Depozite de armament regionale) No 1, is unknown. Regional Ordnance Depot No 2 is in Straulesti in the Bucharest fortification ring (sic). Regional Ordnance Depot No 3 is in Sibiu (10). Regional Ordnance Depot No 4 is in Roman (R 46/G 41).
14. A factory for infantry and artillery ammunition and other unidentified materiel was east of the Targu Jiu - Petrosani railroad line, and north-east of the Valea Sadului railroad station, according to an observation of mid-April 1950. A railroad spur track led to an ammunition depot south of the factory. Ordnance installations of the Rumanian Army and branches of the Brasov Voinea Works and Alcesti Margineanca Works were in the factory.

**Comments.**

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- (1) Possibly the Uavana ammunition depot. [redacted]
- (2) There was no information available to pin-point the location of these towns. 50X1-HUM
- (3) Possibly the Afumati ammunition depot. [redacted]
- (4) This was Soviet Army depot up to mid-1949 and since then has been used by Rumanian troops. 50X1-HUM
- (5) A combined fuel and ammunition depot according to a report of October 1949. [redacted] 50X1-HUM
- (6) Reported to have more than 30 fuel tanks in 1948. [redacted]
- (7) Probably the Selimbar ammunition depot. [redacted]
- (8) Confirmed by a previous report. [redacted]
- (9) Confirmed by a previous report. [redacted]
- (10) The Sibiu Ordnance Depot No 3 was probably the depot which has been reported several times. [redacted]

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